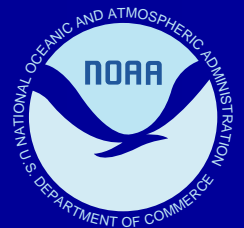


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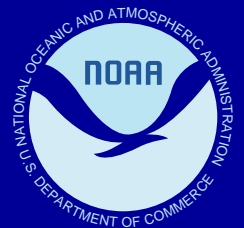
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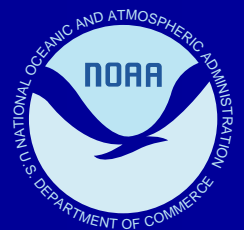
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# Why International?

## Benefits to NOS

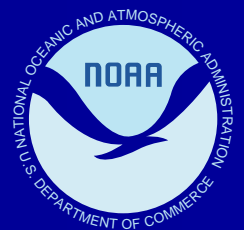
- Lead by example
- Obtain access to data and information
- Influence technology standards and protocols
- Influence international policy
- Provide technical assistance
- Leverage investments and collaboration



# Why International?

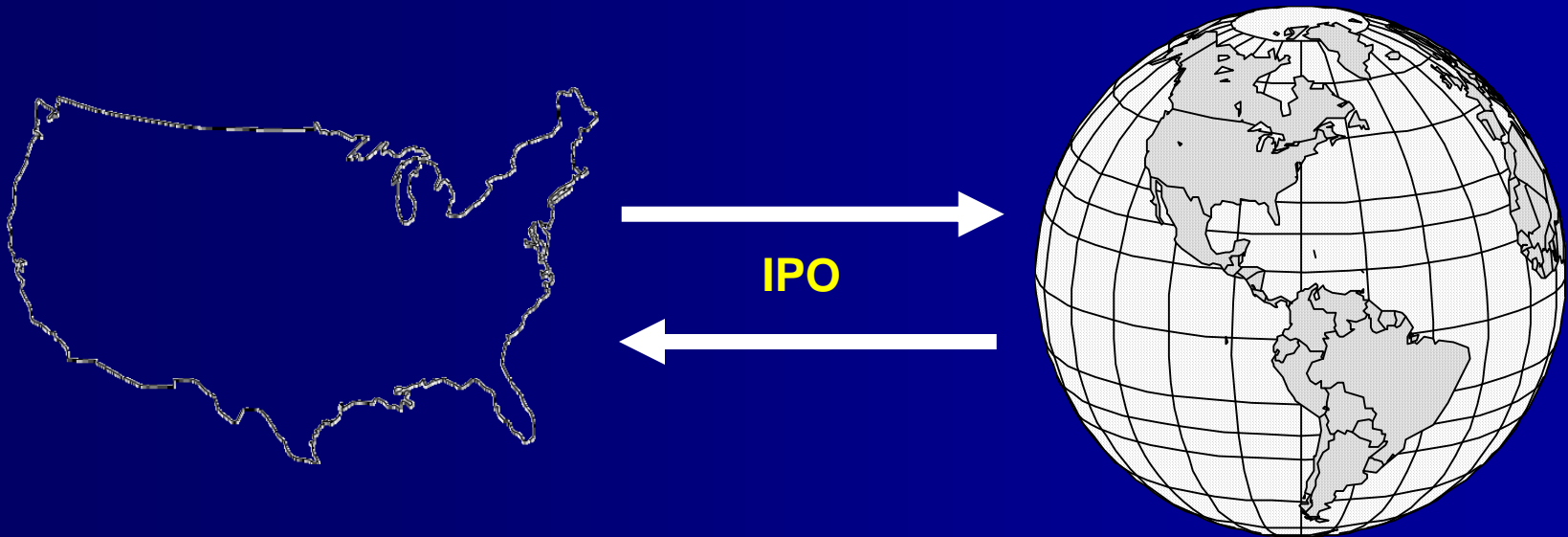
## Drivers

- International Treaties and Conventions
- Intergovernmental Organizations
- Statute
- Executive Orders
- Administration requests
- International Events
  - Extreme events (e.g., natural disasters)
  - Environmental degradation



# IPO Vision

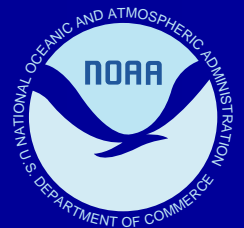
- IPO is the portal for NOS Global Leadership in Integrated Management of the Oceans



# IPO Mission

To provide global leadership in the integrated management of the oceans by:

- Acting as a focal point for international and inter-governmental activities within NOS
- Serving as the conduit through which NOS products and technical guidance and assistance are offered to the international community
- Providing opportunities and facilitating partnerships with NOS Program Offices to share and advance their capabilities through international engagement
- Supporting the international interests and responsibilities of the NOS Assistant Administrator and Program Offices=One NOAA
- Providing technical and policy leadership through inter-governmental fora in support of the international ocean interests of the United States



# IPO Responds to Clients

- **White House**
  - Science & Technology Agreements (i.e., China)
  - U.S. Ocean Action Plan (Ocean Dumping, international collaboration, coral)
- **NOAA Administrator**
  - White Water to Blue Water (Caribbean 2004)
  - A NOAA International Strategy and Annual Operating Plan
- **NOS AA**
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  - IOC (IOOS)
  - Ecosystem services and the Global Program of Action
- **NOS Program Offices**
  - Providing access, support and leveraging resources

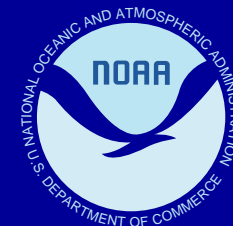




# New Driver: Transformational Diplomacy

- President's Structural Reform of U.S. Diplomacy
  - Announced by Secretary Rice (January 18, 2006)
  - *“To work with our partners around the world to build and sustain democratic, well-governed states...”*
  - *“partnership, not paternalism”*
- Key elements
  - Global Repositioning
  - Regional Focus
  - New Skills
  - Diplomats working with other federal agencies

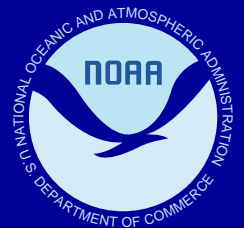
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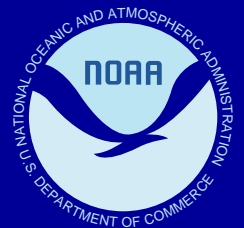
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# FY '06 Issues

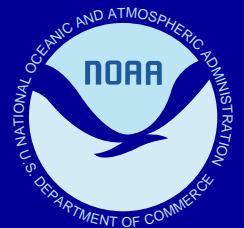
- Major Program Goals
- Major Deliverables and status
- Office's Role in Goal teams and Programs
- Other
  - Impacts of 06 Appropriation-level funded
  - FY 06 Congressional language- n/a
  - Issues/metrics NOAA is following- status of international coordination



# FY '06:

## Major Programs and Goals

- Support Line Office Participation in priority international programs
  - GPA; China; Korea; IOC; coral
- Support line office participation in international efforts
  - Cables, reporting
- Providing mechanisms and support to allow international engagement
  - Develop and maintain international agreements
  - Access funding



# FY '06: Major Deliverables and Status

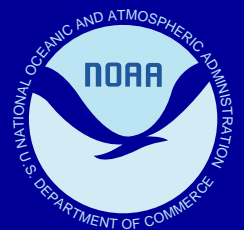
17 identified in FY 06...

- Complete an NOS International Strategy
- Complete 6 National Programs of Action in the wider-Caribbean region (NOAA Agreement with UN)
- Represent NOAA and coordinate USG positions at the IOC Executive Council
- Complete coral grants process (\$500K/year)
- Convene 2 joint working group meetings (China, Korea)
- Convene Fourth US-Japan Coastal Environmental Science. & Technology Meeting
- Develop a successful application for IMPAC II



# FY '06: Office Role in Goal Teams

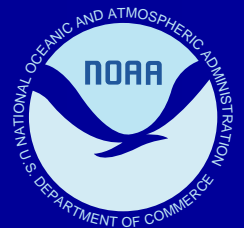
- Leadership
- Ecosystem
  - Coral
  - CRMP
- Climate



# FY 06:

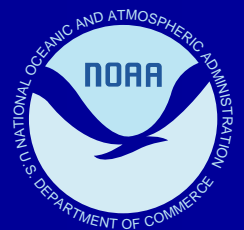
## Issues and Metrics

- Developing a NOS international strategy consistent with NOAA international plan
- GPA compromised by inadequate funding
- Creating effective international linkages into the PPBES process
- Emerging role of IPO in deemed exports and secure cables



# FY '07: What's Coming Up

- NOS-wide International Annual Operating
- IMPAC II program and budget planning
- GPA Intergovernmental review
- 7 nation Ocean Policy Meeting in Korea
- Coral: US becomes ICRI secretariat
- Plan CZ '07



# Outlook Beyond FY '07

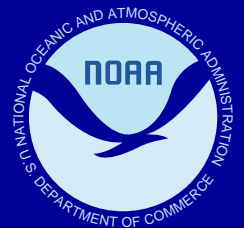
- 3-5 Year Program Goals
  - Improve PPBES alignment
  - Support integrated program initiatives (one NOAA; DOC)
  - Specific programs and directions pending Strategic Plan
  - Continued support to U.S. foreign policy and Ocean Action Plan
- Highest Program Priorities
  - Caribbean/Gulf of Mexico, marine/coastal biodiversity, and China
  - Deemed Exports tracking system
- Impacts of 1% reduction





# Outlook Beyond '07 (cont'd)

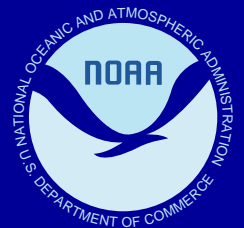
- Key staffing issues
  - Succession planning
  - NOAA Administrative Order
    - Deemed Exports
    - Foreign National Visits
  - Managing secure international cables
  - Coordination across all of NOS and PPBES team process
  - Vacancies
    - 3 frozen positions and 2 current detailees



# NOS International Strategic Plan: Preliminary Data and Findings

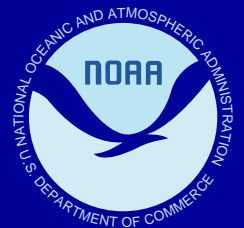
Survey completed: December 2006

- NOS international interests uneven
- NOS goal of developing world class products and services not matched with strategy for international influence
- Key staffing and resource gaps
- Variety of potential international roles
- Program Offices want a corporate approach
- At the same time, through DAS Brennan, VADM is developing a NOAA wide international strategic plan, annual operating plan, and more corporate, deliberative and informed process to NOAA-wide international programs



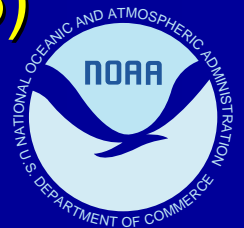
# External Issues

- Principal Stakeholders whose cooperation needs to be sought or improved
  - NGOs
  - Intergovernmental organizations



# External Issues (II)

- Activities the AA should plan to attend within next six months
  - Courtesy meeting with Chinese delegation (2/06)
  - CEST Meeting with Japan- NOS AA is the US Chairperson (early summer)
  - IOC Executive Council (06/06)
  - GPA Intergovernmental Review (10/06)



# External Issues (III)

- Cooperative activities with other NOS offices, NOAA LO's and other federal agencies
  - Global:
    - International Coral Grants (IPO, ORR, NCCOS)
    - Global Socioeconomic Monitoring Program (IPO, OCRM, SCS)
    - MPA Network (IPO, NMSP, MPA Center)
  - South America
    - US-Chilean MPA Partnership (IPO, NMSP)
    - US-Ecuador MPA (IPO, NMSP)
  - Asia:
    - Bilateral ICM-Korea, China, Vietnam, Japan (IPO, NMSP, NCCOS, CSC, OCRM, OCS)
    - Tsunami Response (IPO, ORR)
  - Caribbean:
    - World Bank-CARICM Mainstreaming Adaptation to Climate Change Project (NGS, OCRM, OAR)

